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REF A NPIC 7072, DTG 302244Z, APR 1966

- B NPIC 7113, DTG 040219Z, MAY 1966
- C NPIC 6881 DTG 082314Z, APR 1966

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ALTERNATE 92 IN THE BAN BAC AREA OF THE LAOTIAN PANHANDLE:

REVEALS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON ROUTES 92 AND

1. THE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED CLOSED PORTION ON ALTERNATE ROUTE

92 (REF A) AT 1550N 10645E (UTM XC888523) WITH SUBSEQUENT ROAD

REPAIR AND RECONSTRUCTION (REF B) IS AGAIN CLOSED AT TWO POINTS

BY LANDSLIDES AND COLLAPSE OF THE ROAD EMBANKMENT. THIS IS PROBABLY

CAUSED BY A COMBINATION OF THE RECENT AIR STRIKES AND THE WEATHER.

NO APPARENT ATTEMPT IS BEING MADE TO REMOVE THE DEBRIS OR TO RESTORE

2. ROUTE 92 HAS BEEN CLOSED BY A LANDSLIDE AT 1551N 10646E (UTM XC901538) 0.6 NM NORTH OF BAN BAC AS A RESULT OF RECENT AIRSTRIKES. NO REPAIR WORK IS NOTED.

3. THE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED FORD (REF C) CROSSING THE SE KONG
AT 1550N 10647E (UTM XC908522) SHOWS NO SIGNS OF RECENT VEHICULAR
USE AND APPEARS UNSERVICEABLE DUE TO HIGH WATER AND BOMB CRATERS

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- 4. EIGHT NEWLY OBSERVED DESTROYED TRUCKS ARE NOTED 1.6 NM NORTHWEST OF THE CLOSED PORTION OF ROUTE 92 ALTERNATE (SEE PARA 1) IN A TRUCK PARK AT 1551N 10644E (UTM XC857533). SIX NEWLY OBSERVED DESTROYED TRUCKS ARE ALSO OBSERVED ON BOTH SIDES OF ROUTE 923 0.3 NM SOUTHWEST OF THE UNSERVICEABLE FORD (SEE PARA 3).
- 5. THE CLOSING OF ROUTE 92 ALTERNATE ROUTE 92 AND THE UNSERVICE-ABLE FORD CROSSING THE SE KONG HAS APPARENTLY RESULTED IN AN ACCUMULATION OF TRUCKS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE CLOSED AREAS AS EVIDENCED BY THE RECENT DESTRUCTION OF THE ABOVE REFERENCED TRUCKS.

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MAP REF: UTM COORDINATES FROM AMS SERIES L7012 SHEETS 63581 AND 6358 IV

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